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| By Barry James <br>  boards ibroughout Paris aod promises "a sunmer of advenlure." <br> Sorme adventure! Maroo happens to he a compulue. <br> The poster is one of hundreds for privately operated message servicos on Minitel the govemment tsponsored videotex ysytem Using Minitel a a subseriber cani keep up with hee newr, seck an apartment calculale taxes, con- <br>  ceries and bave then deciverocesend a complainit to city hall, find a restaurant get legal advice look at what is playing at the moviesplan a trip. .ec a weather forcasch <br> buy and sell shares, byy a used car or boans, gee help with a child's homework play chess, find averse in the Bible, be told ajoke, have a letere ranslated and keep up with friends around ihe ovin-try hrough an "electranic letter box." <br> la short, the Mimitel system is parar of a communumications revolution. But Manon, Jane Maude Aline and a hoss of "iris" like them are a controversial part of it 100. <br> Since 1981. the goverument has given away nearly three milion i. 1000 rrances (about 5175 ) apiect it plans 11 plans to distribute anoterer sev- en milion tervinals rree within the next tight years. <br> The terminal plugs into an ordinary telepbone socket and the pbone plugs into the lemminal After dialing 3615 on the phone and typing "Mano" on the terminars keyboard, the calle is ready for a summer adventure. Or perhaps ${ }^{n 0}{ }^{2}$ <br> Once connected, the caller chooses a pseudooym and tryes <br>  hist of of ther psendonyms on the screeo and start communicaring The pscudonyms are the only clue 10ensuce "Plato" promises a higher standard of discourse thao Coilecen for example. <br> Coilectively, the French spend more than five million hours a, month hooked to their Minitels | Ads for some of the 6,000 F <br> and much of that time is accounted for by the message services. How many of the calls are made during office hours is not known, but the problem is serious enough for there to be a brisk business in sof ware that blocks calls to the message services. <br> Some of the services, bringing togener people of like interests, are innocent enough. Some are pink - "/es messageries roses." Some have the reputation of being electronic bordellos. <br> to handie seves hire animators to handle several terminals at ooce and keep the conversation ers to do the same task, the object being to keep callers on the line as long as possible and thus boost services say such subterfuges are quickly found out, and there is always a better service 10 go to . A good message service, they say, is like a good party, with plenty of fuo and good conversation. fuo and good conversation. All this was not what ibe gov- | ench Minitel services. <br> ernment had in mind when it started handing out free termiplace conventional telephone directories by giving access to a data base containing the names of all 24 million Frencb telephone subscribers. <br> Even given a partial address, or a misspelling, the system usually ber. $O$ rit can provide selective lists of telephone numbers and addresses, such as all the restaurants in Strasbourg <br> II costs nothing to consult the data base for the first two mio utes, which is enough to look up most numbers. Even so, the department of telecommunications says the directory alone makes Minitel a good commercial propasition. It saves on printing teleators. It gets income from advertising - for example, a business can publicize the services it offers along with its telephone number. <br> But the Minitel system bas be- | come a money spinner in a way unforeseen by the planners who <br> Two years ago, the deparment of telecommunications iotrotronic kiosk" and invited newspapers and radio stations - whicb until then had seen videotex as a ing information and other services. This paved the way for an explosion of services; iacluding connected with media erganizations. <br> There are now 6,000 independent providers of information and other. services catering to a bewildering variety of special inservices through his or her telephooe bill at the same rate throughout France. Manon, for example, costs 59.20 francs (about $\$ 10$ ) an hour, like all the kiosk. 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